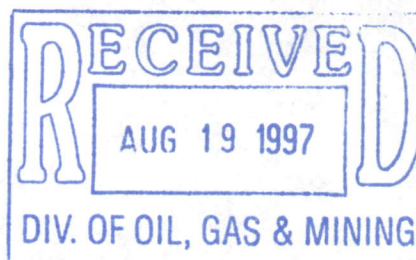


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August 18, 1997

John T. Blake  
School and Institutional  
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State of Utah  
675 East 500 South, Suite 500  
Salt Lake City, UT 84102-2818

Re: Robert L. Clark

Dear John:

With regard to your letter of August 14, 1997, the current plan for the Number 1 Clark Mine is to mine and process only the clay and shale leased under ML 43181. If it appears that the clay and shale cannot be mined without also removing a significant amount of sandstone, the Clarks will contact the Trusts Lands Administration immediately to make further arrangements as necessary.

With regard to the \$5,000.00 C.D. held jointly by the Clarks and the Trust Lands Administration, the Clarks are signing a withdrawal slip that will allow the Trust Lands Administration to liquidate the C.D. without further action on behalf of the Clarks. This should fully protect the Trust Lands Administration in the event the Clarks default on their obligations and the Trust Lands Administration is forced to redeem the C.D. I hope to send the necessary withdrawal slip to you later today under a separate cover letter.

Thanks again for your help on this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Clay W. Stucki".

Clay W. Stucki

CWS/cjm

cc: Robert and Julie Clark  
Tony Gallegos